CITY OF BELMOND, IOWA
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2004

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Name	Term Expires						
Elected Officials (Before January, 2004)							
Rex L. Peterson	Mayor	January, 2004					
Harlan Tulp Sidney Swenson Earl Kalkwarf Randy Turner Sharleen Sorum	Council member Council member Council member Council member Council member	January, 2006 January, 2006 January, 2006 January, 2004 January, 2004					
Appointed Officials							
Lee Ann Waltzing	Manager/Clerk/Treasurer	Indefinite					
Gary Berkland	Attorney	Indefinite					
	Elected Officials (After January, 2004)						
Jerry A. Greenwood	Mayor	January, 2006					
Harlan Tulp Sidney Swenson Earl Kalkwarf Todd Buseman Bradley Bloemke	Council member Council member Council member Council member Council member	January, 2006 January, 2006 January, 2006 January, 2008 January, 2008					
	Appointed Officials						
Lee Ann Waltzing	Manager/Clerk/Treasurer	Indefinite					
Gary Berkland	Attorney	Indefinite					

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council City of Belmond, Iowa

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Belmond, lowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2004 which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the City's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, Chapter 11 of the Code of Iowa and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards and provisions require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in Note 1, these financial statements were prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash basis financial position of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Belmond at June 30, 2004, and the respective changes in the cash basis financial position for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council Page 2

As described in Note 12, during the year ended June 30, 2004, the City adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments; Statement No. 37, Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments: Omnibus; Statement No. 38, Certain Financial Statement Note Disclosures; and Statement No. 41, Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Perspective Differences.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our reports dated August 4, 2004 on our consideration of the City of Belmond, lowa's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. Those reports are an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

Management's Discussion and Analysis and budgetary comparison information on Pages 4 through 9 and Page 20 are not required parts of the basic financial statements, but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. We did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements. We previously audited the financial statements for the three years ended June 30, 2003 (none of which are presented herein) and supplemental data in accordance with the standards referred to in the second paragraph of this report and expressed unqualified opinions on those financial statements and supplemental data. Other supplemental information included on Pages 21 through 25 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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Mason City, Iowa August 4, 2004

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The City of Belmond provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of its financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the City's financial statements, which follow.

Because the City is implementing new reporting standards for this fiscal year with significant changes in content and structure, much of the information is not easily comparable to prior years. However, in future years, comparisons will be more meaningful and will go further to explaining the City's financial position and results of operations.

2004 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Revenues of the City's governmental activities decreased 60.6%, or approximately \$2,545,000, from fiscal 2003 to fiscal 2004. Donations decreased approximately \$619,000, bond proceeds decreased \$1,800,000 and net transfers decreased approximately \$82,000.
- Disbursements of the City's governmental activities decreased 9.5%, or approximately \$263,000, in fiscal 2004 from fiscal 2003. Public works, culture and recreation and capital projects disbursements decreased approximately \$60,000, \$50,000 and \$163,000, respectively.
- The City's total cash basis net assets decreased 30.6%, or approximately \$773,000, from June 30, 2003 to June 30, 2004. Of this amount, the assets of the governmental activities decreased approximately \$839,000 and the assets of the business-type activities increased by approximately \$67,000.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report consists of a series of financial statements and other information as follows:

- Management's Discussion and Analysis introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the City's financial activities.
- The Government-Wide Financial Statement consists of a Statement of Activities and Net Assets Cash Basis. This statement provides information about the activities of the City as a whole and presents an overall view of the City's finances.
- The Fund Financial Statements tell how governmental services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements report the City's operations in more detail than the government-wide statement by providing information about the most significant funds.

- Notes to the financial statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.
- Required Supplementary Information further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the City's budget for the year.
- Other Supplementary Information provides detailed information about the non-major governmental funds.

Basis of Accounting

The City maintains its financial records on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements and the financial statements of the City are prepared on that basis. The cash basis of accounting does not give effect to accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued items. Accordingly, the financial statements do not present financial position and results of operations of the funds in accordance with the U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion within this financial report, the reader should keep in mind the limitations resulting from the use of the cash basis of accounting.

REPORTING THE CITY'S FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Government-Wide Financial Statement

One of the most important questions asked about the City's finances is, "Is the City as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities". This Statement of Activities and Net Assets - Cash Basis reports information which helps answer this question.

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets - Cash Basis presents the City's net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in the City's net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the City improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets - Cash Basis is divided into two kinds of activities.

- Governmental Activities include public safety, public works, culture and recreation, community and
 economic development, general government, debt service and capital projects. Property taxes and
 state grants finance most of these activities.
- Business-Type Activities include the water works and the sanitary sewer system. These activities are financed primarily by user charges.

Fund Financial Statements

The City has two kinds of funds:

1. Governmental funds account for most of the City's basic services. These focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances at year end that are available for spending. The governmental funds include: a) the General fund, b) the Special Revenue Funds, such as Road Use Tax and Urban Renewal Tax Increment, c) the Debt Service Fund, d) the Capital Projects Fund and e) the Permanent Fund. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed, short-term view of the City's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the City's programs.

The required financial statements for governmental funds include a statement of cash receipts, disbursements and changes in cash balances.

2. Proprietary funds account for the City's Enterprise Funds. Enterprise Funds are used to report business-type activities. The City maintains two Enterprise Funds to provide separate information for the water and sewer funds, considered to be major funds of the City.

The required financial statements for proprietary funds include a statement of cash receipts, disbursements and changes in cash balances.

Reconciliations between the government-wide statement and the fund financial statements follow the fund financial statements.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of financial position. The City's cash balance for governmental activities decreased sharply from a year ago, decreasing from \$2,368,971 to \$1,529,920. The analysis that follows focuses on the changes in cash balances for governmental activities.

	Activities Year Ended		
	Jun	e 30, 2004	
Receipts and Transfers:			
Program Receipts:			
Charges for service	\$	113,069	
Operating grants, contributions and restricted interest		246,506	
Capital grants, contributions and restricted interest		118,992	
General Receipts:			
Property taxes		828,004	
Local option sales taxes		166,667	
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific purposes		18,586	
Unrestricted investment earnings		22,195	
Other general receipts		54,358	
Transfers, net		88,577	
Total Receipts and Transfers		1,656,954	
Disbursements:			
Public safety		327,588	
Public works		170,322	
Health and social services		6,050	
Culture and recreation		220,778	
Community and economic development		9,354	
General government		161,260	
Debt service		505,221	
Capital projects		1,086,378	
Nonprogram		9,054	
Total Disbursements		2,496,005	
Decrease in Cash Basis Net Assets		(839,051)	
Cash Basis Net Assets - Beginning of Year		2,368,971	
Cash Basis Net Assets - End of Year	<u>\$</u>	1,529,920	

The City's total receipts for governmental activities decreased by 30.9%, or \$741,059. The total cost of all programs and services decreased approximately \$263,000, or 9.5%, with no new programs added this year. The significant decrease in receipts was primarily the result of the City having sold bonds and receiving a large amount of donations for the library project in the previous fiscal year.

The City increased property tax rates for 2004 by an average of 1.9%. This increase raised the City's property tax receipts by approximately \$16,000 in 2004. Based on increases in the total assessed valuation, property tax receipts are budgeted to increase by an additional \$5,444 next year.

The cost of all governmental activities this year was \$2,496,005 compared to \$2,759,048 last year. However, as shown in the Statement of Activities and Net Assets - Cash Basis on Page 10, the amount taxpayers ultimately financed for these activities was only \$2,017,438 because some of the cost was paid by those directly benefited from the programs (\$113,069) or by other governments and organizations that subsidized certain programs with grants, contributions and restricted interest (\$365,498). Overall, the City's governmental activities receipts, including intergovernmental aid and fees for service, increased in 2004 from approximately \$362,000 to approximately \$479,000 principally due to making traffic code violations city charges rather than state charges. The City paid for the remaining "public benefit" portion of governmental activities with approximately \$828,000 in taxes (some of which could only be used from certain programs) with other receipts, such as interest and general entitlements, and with cash reserves generated from bond proceeds received in the previous year.

Changes in Cash Basis Net Assets of Business-	Type Activities	
Ye		
	June 30, 2004	
Receipts:		
Program Receipts:		
Charges for Service:		
Water	\$ 271,767	
Sewer	244,984	
Landfill	51,118	
General Receipts:		
Unrestricted investment earnings	2,673	
Total Receipts	<u>570,542</u>	
Disbursements:		
Water	194,251	
Sewer	157,132	
Landfill	64,067	
Transfers	88,577	
Total Disbursements and Transfers	504,027	
Increase in Cash Basis Net Assets	66,515	
Cash Basis Net Assets - Beginning of Year	153,168	
Cash Basis Net Assets - End of Year	<u>\$ 219,683</u>	

Total business-type activities receipts for the fiscal year were \$570,542 compared to \$539,919 last year. The increase was due primarily to the increases in the rates for services. The cash balance increased by approximately \$67,000 from the prior year because the City implemented new rates for services in order to establish a water plant capital fund. Total disbursements and transfers for the fiscal year decreased by 9.4% to a total of \$504,027.

INDIVIDUAL MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUND ANALYSIS

As the City of Belmond completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$1,529,920, a decrease of \$839,051 from last year's total of \$2,368,971. The following are the major reasons for the changes in fund balances of the major funds from the prior year.

- The General Fund cash balance decreased by \$68,094 from the prior year to \$269,279. Approximately \$50,000 of this decrease was due to loosing utility replacement funds.
- The Road Use Tax Fund cash balance increased by \$33,088 to \$74,959 during the fiscal year. This increase was attributable to having paid off debt in the previous fiscal year. The City intends to use this money to make street improvements in future years.
- The Local Option Sales Tax Fund cash balance decreased by \$31,245 from the prior year due to transferring more funds out for debt service and capital projects.
- The Debt Service Fund cash balance increased by \$264 to \$3,729 as a result of more funds being transferred in than were required.
- The Capital Projects Fund cash balance decreased by \$817,191 to \$860,594 during the fiscal year. This decrease was due to the construction of First Street NE.

INDIVIDUAL MAJOR BUSINESS-TYPE FUND ANALYSIS

- The Water Fund cash balance increased by \$67,929 to \$125,757 due primarily to increasing rates and reserves to fund a new water plant in the future.
- The Sewer Fund cash balance increased by \$10,568 to \$47,369 due primarily to a loan from the general fund for cash flow. The new fee structure will allow the loan to be repaid and the fund to be replenished.

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Over the course of the year, the City amended its budget one time. The amendment was approved on May 17, 2004 to provide for additional disbursements in certain City departments. The City had sufficient cash balances to absorb these additional costs.

DEBT ADMINISTRATION

At June 30, 2004, the City had \$3,557,000 in bonds and other long-term debt outstanding, compared to \$3,887,000 last year, as shown below.

Outstanding Debt at Year End	·
	Year Ended June 30, 2004
General obligation bonds Urban renewal tax increment financing revenue bonds	\$ 3,210,000 347,000
Total	\$ 3,557,000

The Constitution of the State of Iowa limits the amount of general obligation debt cities can issue to 5% of the assessed value of all taxable property within the City's corporate limits. The City's outstanding general obligation debt of \$3,557,000 is below its constitutional debt limit of \$4,446,590 at June 30, 2004.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

The City of Belmond's elected and appointed officials and citizens considered many factors when setting the fiscal year 2005 budget, tax rates and fees that will be charged for various City activities. One of those factors is the economy. During the budget preparation, the consumer price index was listed at 2.1%. In addition, the employees were granted a 3% wage increase for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004. Since the budget was approved, gasoline and steel prices have increased.

The City Council implemented new rates to be charged for various functions of the City. Some of those rates had not been increased in more than ten years.

These indicators were taken into account when adopting the budget for fiscal year 2005. Amounts available for appropriation in the operating budget are \$3,294,410. Included in this amount are \$444,052 of fund transfers between different funds of the City. Net of transfers total amounts available for appropriation are \$2,850,358, an increase of 37.6% from the final 2004 budget. The majority of the increase is due to expected bond proceeds of approximately \$700,000 along with an increase in charges for services of approximately \$120,000. The City will use these increases in receipts to finance programs we currently offer, complete a street construction project and to defray a portion of the costs of providing water and sewer services. Budgeted disbursements (net of transfers between different funds of the City) are expected to decrease by \$215,881 from the 2004 budget. The decrease is due mainly to an expected reduction in street construction and cuts in spending for culture and recreation activities. The City has added no major new programs or initiatives to the 2005 budget.

CONTACTING THE CITY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers and creditors with a general overview of the City's finances and to show the City's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Lee Ann Waltzing, City Manager/Clerk, 112 - 2nd Avenue NE, P.O. Box 192, Belmond, Iowa 50421-0192.



Year Ended June 30, 2004					N /D!		
		Program Receipts				bursements), F s in Cash Basis	
Functions/Programs	Disbursements	Charges for Service	Operating Grants, Contributions and Restricted Interest	Capital Grants, Contributions and Restricted Interest	Governmental Activities	Business- Type Activities	Total
Governmental Activities							
Public safety	\$ 327,588 170,322	\$ 43,673	\$ 6,890	\$ 23,333	\$ (253,692) 48,192	\$ —	\$ (253,692)
Public worksHealth and social services	6,050	5,298 —	213,216 —	_	(6,050)	_	48,192 (6,050)
Culture and recreation	220,778	38,725	26,400	15,500	(140,153)	_	(140,153)
Community and economic development	9,354	10,940	_	-	1,586	_	1,586
General governmentDebt service	161,260 505,221	14,433	_	_	(146,827) (505,221)		(146,827) (505,221)
Capital projects	1,086,378	_	_	80,159	(1,006,219)	_	(1,006,219)
Nonprogram	9,054				(9,054)	<u></u>	(9,054)
Total Governmental Activities	<u>2,496,005</u>	113,069	<u>246,506</u>	<u>118,992</u>	(2,017,438)		(2,017,438)
Business-Type Activities							
Water	194,251	271,767	_	_	-	77,516	77,516
SewerLandfill	157,132 64,067	244,984 51,118	_	_	_	87,852 (12,949)	87,852 (12,949)
Total Business-Type Activities	415,450	567,869				152,419	152,419
Total	<u>\$ 2,911,455</u>	\$ 680,938	<u>\$ 246,506</u>	\$ 118,992	(2,017,438)	152,419	(1,865,019)
General Receipts Property Taxes Levied For					470.007		470.007
General purposes Tax increment financing					476,087 22,691	_	476,087 22,691
Debt service					190,616	_	190,616
Employee benefits					122,286 14,332	_	122,286 14,332
EmergencyCapital projects					1,992	_	1,992
Other City taxes					52,515	_	52,515
Local option sales tax					166,667	_	166,667
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific purpose					18,586 22,195	2,673	18,586 24,868
Miscellaneous					1,843		1,843
Transfers					88,577	(88,577)	
Total General Receipts and Transfers					1,178,387	<u>(85,904</u>)	1,092,483
Increase (Decrease) in Cash Basis Net Assets					(839,051) 2,368,971	66,515 153,168	(772,536) 2,522,139
Cash Basis Net Assets - End of Year					<u>\$ 1,529,920</u>	<u>\$ 219,683</u>	<u>\$ 1,749,603</u>
Cash Basis Net Assets							
Restricted					6 74070	Φ.	6 74050
StreetsUrban renewal purposes					\$ 74,959 4,230	\$ <u> </u>	\$ 74,959 4,230
Debt service					4,230 3,729		3,729
Other purposes					230,602		230,602
Unrestricted					<u>1,216,400</u>	<u>219,683</u>	<u>1,436,083</u>
Total Cash Basis Net Assets					<u>\$ 1,529,920</u>	<u>\$ 219,683</u>	<u>\$ 1,749,603</u>

Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances - Governmental Funds

	Other Special Revenue Nonmajor						
	General	Road Use Tax	Local Option Sales Tax	Debt Service	Capital Projects - Streets	Govern- mental Funds	Total
Receipts							
Property taxes	\$ 476,087 —	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	190,616 —	\$ <u> </u>	\$ 136,618 22,691	\$ 803,321 22,691
Other city taxes	37,515	_	166,667	8,660	_	6,340	219,182
Licenses and permits Use of money and property	4,898 10,782		1,088	— 88	13,320	2,638	4,898 27,916
Intergovernmental	40,384	213,216		_			253,600
Charges for service	34,395	_	_	_	_	_	34,395
Special assessments		_	_	_	1,992		1,992
Miscellaneous Total Receipts	83,053 687,114	213,216	<u> </u>	199,364		117,329 285,616	200,382 1, 568,377
Disbursements	<u> </u>	210,210	1011100	100,001	10,012	200,010	110001077
Operating							
Public safety	327,588	_	_	_	_	_	327,588
Public works	34,027	136,295	_	_	_	_	170,322
Health and social services		_	_	_	_	_	6,050
Culture and recreation Community and	220,778	_	_	_	_	_	220,778
economic development	1,685			_		7,669	9,354
General government	161,260		_	_		- ,,,,,,	161,260
Debt service	_		_	488,721	_	16,500	505,221
Capital projects	35,925	395	_	_	832,503	217,555	1,086,378
Nonprogram Total Disbursements		136,690		488,721	<u>832,503</u>	9,054 250,778	9,054 2,496,005
	101,515	130,030		700,721	032,303	230,170	2,430,003
Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(100,199)	76,526	<u> 167,755</u>	(289,357)	(817,191)	34,838	(927,628)
Other Financing Sources	(Uses)						
Operating transfers in	144,709	22,165	_	289,621	_	172,807	629,302
Operating transfers out	<u>(112,604</u>)	<u>(65,603</u>)	(199,000)			(163,518)	<u>(540,725</u>)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	32,105	(43,438)	(199,000)	289,621		9,289	88,577
Increase (Decrease) in Cash Balances Cash Balances -	(68,094)	33,088	(31,245)	264	(817,191)	44,127	(839,051)
Beginning of Year	337,373	41,871	31,774	3,465	1,677,785	276,703	2,368,971
Cash Balances -							
End of Year	<u>\$ 269,279</u>	\$ 74,959	<u>\$ 529</u> <u>\$</u>	3,729	<u>\$ 860,594</u>	<u>\$ 320,830</u>	<u>\$ 1,529,920</u>
Cash Basis Fund Balance Reserved	s						
Debt service	\$ —	\$ —	\$ -\$	3,729	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 3,729
Unreserved	T	•	τ Ψ	3,. 20	T	т	÷ 0,1.20
General fund		_	_	_	_	_	269,279
Special revenue funds		74,959	529	_	-	181,940	257,428
Capital projects fund Permanent fund		_	_	_	860,594	86,527 52,363	947,121 <u>52,363</u>
						<u>JZ,303</u>	<u>JZ,303</u>
Total Cash Basis Fund Balances	<u>\$ 269,279</u>	<u>\$ 74,959</u>	<u>\$ 529</u> <u>\$</u>	3,729	<u>\$ 860,594</u>	<u>\$ 320,830</u>	<u>\$ 1,529,920</u>

Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances - Proprietary Funds

	Water	Sewer	Other Proprietary Funds	Total
Operating Receipts Use of money and property Charges for service Miscellaneous Total Operating Receipts	\$ 1,643 254,451 16,681 272,775	\$ 698 244,771 213 245,682	\$ 332 51,021 <u>732</u> 52,085	\$ 2,673 550,243 17,626 570,542
Operating Disbursements Business-type activities	<u>194,251</u>	157,132	64,067	415,450
Operating Receipts Over (Under) Operating Disbursements	78,524	88,550	(11,982)	155,092
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Operating transfers in Operating transfers out Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	70,000 (80,595) (10,595)	45,018 (123,000) (77,982)		115,018 (203,595) (88,577)
Increase (Decrease) in Cash Balances Cash Balances - Beginning of Year	67,929 57,828	10,568 36,801	(11,982) 58,539	66,515 153,168
Cash Balances - End of Year	<u>\$ 125,757</u>	<u>\$ 47,369</u>	<u>\$ 46,557</u>	<u>\$ 219,683</u>
Cash Basis Fund Balances Unreserved	<u>\$ 125,757</u>	<u>\$ 47,369</u>	<u>\$ 46,557</u>	<u>\$ 219,683</u>

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The City of Belmond, lowa, is a political subdivision of the State of lowa located in Wright County. It was first incorporated in 1881 and operates under the Home Rule provisions of the Constitution of lowa. The City operates under the Mayor-Council form of government with the Mayor and council members elected on a nonpartisan basis. The City provides numerous services to citizens including public safety, public works, health and social services, culture and recreation, community and economic development and general government services. The City also provides water and sewer utilities for its citizens.

Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, the City of Belmond has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities. The City has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable, and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the City are such that exclusion would cause the City's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and (1) the ability of the City to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on the City. The City of Belmond has no component units which meet the Governmental Accounting Standards Board criteria.

Jointly Governed Organizations

The City also participates in several jointly governed organizations that provide goods and services to the citizenry of the City but do not meet the criteria of a joint venture since there is no ongoing financial interest or responsibility by the participating governments. City officials are members of the following boards and commissions: Wright County Assessor's Conference Board, Wright County Communications Commission, Wright County Area Landfill Authority, MIDAS Council of Government and the Mid-Iowa Regional Housing Association.

Basis of Presentation

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The statement of activities and net assets reports information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the City. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from this statement. Governmental activities, which are supported by tax and intergovernmental revenue, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for services.

The statement of activities and net assets presents the City's nonfiduciary net assets. Net assets are reported in two categories:

Restricted net assets result when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net assets consist of net assets that do not meet the definition of the preceding category. Unrestricted net assets often have constraints on resources imposed by management, which can be removed or modified.

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The statement of activities and net assets demonstrates the degree to which the direct disbursements of a given function are offset by program receipts. Direct disbursements are those clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program receipts include: (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function and (2) grants, contributions and interest on investments restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property tax and other items not properly included among program receipts are reported instead as general receipts.

Fund Financial Statements

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and proprietary funds. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as other nonmajor governmental funds.

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the City. All general tax receipts and other receipts not allocated by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating disbursements, the fixed charges and the capital improvement costs that are not paid from other funds.

Special Revenue

The Road Use Tax Fund is used to account for road construction and maintenance.

The Local Option Sales Tax Fund is used to account for local option sales tax collections and transfers.

The *Debt Service Fund* is utilized to account for the payment of interest and principal on the City's general long-term debt.

The Capital Projects - Streets Fund is used to account for the resources used in the construction of streets.

The City reports the following major proprietary funds:

The Water Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's water system.

The Sewer Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's waste water treatment and sanitary sewer system.

Basis of Accounting

The City of Belmond maintains its financial records on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements and the financial statements of the City are prepared on that basis. The cash basis of accounting does not give effect to accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued items. Accordingly, the financial statements do not present financial position and results of operations of the fund in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Proprietary funds distinguish operating receipts and disbursements from nonoperating items. Operating receipts and disbursements generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. All receipts and disbursements not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating receipts and disbursements.

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as required supplementary information. During the year ended June 30, 2004, the City exceeded the amounts budgeted in the debt service function.

(2) Deposits and Investments

The City's deposits in banks at June 30, 2004 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to insure there will be no loss of public funds.

The City is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States Government, its agencies and instrumentalities, certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the City Council, prime eligible bankers acceptances, certain high-rated commercial paper, perfected repurchase agreements, certain registered open-end management investment companies, certain joint investment trusts and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

City investments are categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the City at year end. The City had no investments at June 30, 2004.

(3) Bonded Indebtedness

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for general obligation bonds and urban renewal tax increment financing revenue bonds are as follows:

Urban Banawal Tay

Year						Increment	-					
Ending	General Obligation Bonds			_((T.I.F.) Reve	enue	Bonds	_	To	tal		
6-30		Principal		Interest	I	Principal	l	Interest		Principal		Interest
2005	\$	285,000	\$	128,850	\$	137,000	\$	17,350	\$	422,000	\$	146,200
2006		300,000		117,801		50,000		10,500		350,000		128,301
2007		280,000		105,862		50,000		8,000		330,000		113,862
2008		300,000		94,318		50,000		5,500		350,000		99,818
2009		310,000		81,671		60,000		3,000		370,000		84,671
2010-14		1,045,000		232,849						1,045,000		232,849
2015-19		690,000		78,294						690,000		78,294
	\$	3,210,000	<u>\$</u>	839,645	<u>\$</u>	347,000	<u>\$</u>	44,350	<u>\$</u>	3,557,000	\$	883,995

(3) Bonded Indebtedness

The urban renewal tax increment financing revenue bonds were issued for the purpose of defraying a portion of the costs of carrying out an urban renewal project of the City. The bonds are payable solely from the income and proceeds of the Special Revenue Urban Renewal Tax Increment Fund and the taxes to be paid into the fund in accordance with Chapter 403.19 of the Code of lowa. The proceeds of the urban renewal tax increment financing revenue bonds shall be expended only for purposes which are consistent with the plans of the City's urban renewal area. The bonds are not a general obligation of the City, however, the debt is subject to the constitutional debt limitation of the City.

(4) Pension and Retirement Benefits

The City contributes to the Iowa Public Employees Retirement System (IPERS) which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of Iowa. IPERS provides retirement and death benefits which are established by State statute to plan members and beneficiaries. IPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to IPERS, P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9117.

Plan members are required to contribute 3.7% of their annual salary and the City is required to contribute 5.75% of annual covered payroll, except for police employees, in which case the percentages are 5.93% and 8.9%, respectively. For the year ended June 30, 2003, the contribution rates for police employees and the City were 6.04% and 9.07%, respectively, and for the year ended June 30, 2002, the contribution rates for police employees and the City were 6.2% and 9.29%, respectively. Contribution requirements are established by State statute. The City's contribution to IPERS for the years ended June 30, 2004, 2003 and 2002 were \$34,286, \$34,525 and \$31,188, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

(5) Compensated Absences

City employees accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation hours for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, retirement or death. These accumulations are not recognized as disbursements by the City until used or paid. The City's approximate liability for earned compensated absences payable to employees at June 30, 2004, primarily relating to the General Fund is as follows:

Type of Benefit	June 30, 2004
Vacation	<u>\$ 22,743</u>

This liability has been computed based on rates of pay as of June 30, 2004.

(6) Interfund Transfers

The detail of interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2004 is as follows:

Transfer To	Transfer From	Amount
General	Special Revenue Group Insurance Workers Compensation Employee Retirement Emergency Proprietary Water	\$ 53,855 16,842 50,414 15,003 8,595 144,709
Special Revenue Road Use Tax	General	22,165
Special Revenue Self-Funded Health	Special Revenue Road Use Tax Group Insurance Proprietary Water	2,000 10,904 2,000 14,904
Debt Service	General Special Revenue Road Use Tax Local Option Sales Tax Proprietary Sewer	45,018 63,603 58,000 123,000 289,621
Special Revenue Tax Increment Financing Sinking	Special Revenue Tax Increment Financing	<u>16,500</u>
Capital Projects City Hall	General	76
Capital Projects Fire Station	General Special Revenue Local Option Sales Tax	327 <u>141,000</u> 141,327
Proprietary Weter Becerve	Proprietary	70,000
Water Reserve Proprietary Sewer	Water General	70,000 45,018
Total		<u>\$ 744,320</u>

(7) Related Entities

The City had business transactions totaling \$4,532 between the City and City officials during the year ended June 30, 2004.

(8) Risk Management

The City of Belmond is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft, damage to and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, injuries to employees and natural disasters. These risks are covered by the purchase of commercial insurance. The City assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

(9) Wright County Area Landfill Authority

The City is a member of the Wright County Area Landfill Authority (Authority) which provides for the collection and disposal of solid waste produced or generated within the municipalities that are members. On dissolution of the corporation, the net assets of the Authority will be prorated among municipalities. The Authority is governed by a board composed of an elected representative of the governing body of each participating governmental jurisdiction.

The Authority is not accumulating sufficient financial resources and the participating governments are obligated for a proportionate share of the debts; therefore, the City of Belmond has an ongoing financial responsibility.

During 1994, the Authority issued \$460,000 in notes and used the proceeds to finance the costs of acquiring and constructing works and facilities useful for the collection and disposal of solid waste, including costs incurred or to be funded by the Authority on behalf of the County and the other Municipalities, consisting of certain landfill closure costs, the acquisition of equipment and machinery, transfer station improvements and composting facilities and the refunding of outstanding indebtedness incurred by the Authority with respect thereto. The City's share of the debt totaled approximately \$45,368 at June 30, 2004. On May 1, 1995 the Rural lowa Waste Management Association, of which the Authority is a member, issued \$830,000 of Solid Waste Revenue Bonds. The City's share of this debt totaled approximately \$43,814 at June 30, 2004.

The City is also obligated to remit a share of the operating and administration costs. During the year ended June 30, 2004, the City of Belmond paid the Authority \$64,000 for its share of the costs. Financial statements for the Authority can be obtained from the Wright County Area Landfill Authority.

(10) Commitments

At June 30, 2004, the City had entered into contracts for street improvements in the approximate amounts below:

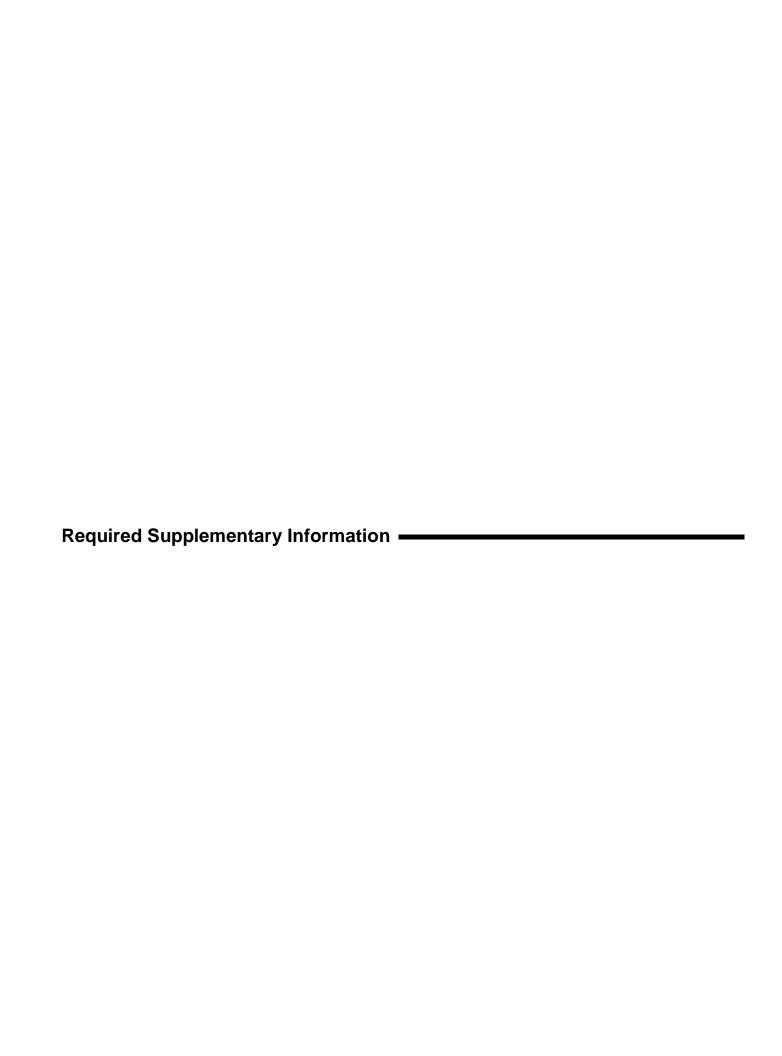
Project	Total Contract	Paid Through June 30, 2004	Approximate Remaining Commitment
2003 street improvements	\$737,000	\$677,000	\$60,000

(11) Health Care Facility Revenue Bond

During 1997, the City issued a \$287,722 health care facility bond under the provisions of Chapter 419 of the Code of Iowa, of which \$223,713 was outstanding at June 30, 2004. The bond and related interest are payable from the rents paid by tenants of the borrower's facilities. The bond principal and interest do not constitute liabilities of the City.

(12) Accounting Change

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments; Statement Number 37, Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments; Omnibus; Statement Number 38, Certain Financial Statement Note Disclosures; and Statement No. 41, Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Perspective Differences; were implemented for the year ended June 30, 2004. The statements create new basic financial statements for reporting the City's financial activities. The financial statements now include a government-wide financial statement and fund financial statements which present information for individual major funds rather than by fund type. Nonmajor funds are presented in total in one column.



Schedule of Budgetary Comparison of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Balances - Budget and Actual (Cash Basis) - All Governmental Funds and Proprietary Funds

Year Ended June 30, 2004

	Govern- mental Funds Actual	Funds	Less Funds Not Required to be Budgeted	Buc Net	<u>lgeted Amour</u> Original	<u>nts</u> Final	Final to Total Actual Over (Under) Budget
Receipts	Actual	Actual	Duugeteu	Met	Original	Fillal	Buugei
Property taxes T.I.F. collections Other city taxes Licenses and permits Use of money and	\$ 803,321 22,691 219,182 4,898	\$ <u>—</u> — —	\$ <u>-</u> - -	\$ 803,321 22,691 219,182 4,898	\$ 795,972 15,000 176,451 4,475	\$ 795,972 18,800 178,500 4,505	\$ 7,349 3,891 40,682 393
property	27,916 253,600 34,395 1,992 200,382 1,568,377	2,673 550,243 — 17,626 570,542		30,589 253,600 584,638 1,992 218,008 2,138,919	52,800 270,508 606,657 — 124,650 2,046,513	24,770 244,098 597,400 2,000 205,737 2,071,782	5,819 9,502 (12,762) (8) 12,271 67,137
Disbursements							
Public safety Public works Health and social	327,588 170,322	_	=	327,588 170,322	351,674 202,636	345,084 189,486	(17,496) (19,164)
servicesCulture and recreation	6,050 220,778	_	_	6,050 220,778	6,500 296,801	6,050 271,489	 (50,711)
economic development General government Debt service	9,354 161,260 505,221	=	_	9,354 161,260 505,221	62,520 201,262 544,308	62,585 184,058 503,721	(53,231) (22,798) 1,500
Capital projects Business-type activities Nonprogram	1,086,378 — 9,054	415,450 —	9,054	1,086,378 415,450	1,217,000 403,590	1,431,623 419,235	(345,245) (3,785)
Total Disbursements	2,496,005	415,450	9,054	2,902,401	3,286,291	3,413,331	(510,930)
Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(927,628)	155,092	(9,054)	(763,482)	(1,239,778)	(1,341,549)	578,067
Other Financing Sources, Net	88,577	(88,577)					
Receipts and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Disbursements and							
Other Financing Uses	(839,051)	66,515	(9,054)	(763,482)	(1,239,778)	(1,341,549)	578,067
Balances - Beginning of Year	2,368,971	<u> 153,168</u>	50,713	2,471,426	2,418,637	2,522,139	(50,713)
Balances - End of Year	<u>\$ 1,529,920</u>	<u>\$ 219,683</u>	<u>\$ 41,659</u>	<u>\$ 1,707,944</u>	<u>\$ 1,178,859</u>	<u>\$ 1,180,590</u>	<u>\$ 527,354</u>

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the City Council annually adopts a budget on the cash basis following required public notice and hearing for all funds except a permanent fund. The annual budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures.

Formal and legal budgetary control is based upon ten major classes of disbursements known as functions, not by fund or fund type. These ten functions are: public safety, public works, health and social services, culture and recreation, community and economic development, general government, debt service, capital projects, business-type activities and nonprogram. Function disbursements required to be budgeted include disbursements for the general fund, special revenue funds, debt service fund, capital projects funds and proprietary funds. Although the budget document presents function disbursements by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated function level, not by fund. During the year, one budget amendment increased budgeted disbursements by \$127,040. The budget amendments are reflected in the final budgeted amounts.

During the year ended June 30, 2004, disbursements exceeded the amounts budgeted in the debt service function.



Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances - Nonmajor Governmental Funds

	Special Revenue							Сар	ital Proje	cts	<u>Permanent</u>				
	Employee Benefits	Emer- gency	Urban Renewal Tax Increment	Com- munity Room	Housing Assistance	Tax Increment Financing Sinking Fund	Memorial Park Fund	Veterans Memorial Fund	Resti- tution Fund	Economic Develop- ment Fund	Fire Station	City Hall	Library	Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	Total
Receipts Property taxes T.I.F. collections Other city taxes Use of money and property Miscellaneous	5,672 206 4,030	\$ 14,332 — 668 —	\$ — 22,691 — 2 —	\$ — — 791	\$ 	\$ — — 312 —	\$ — — — 118 	\$ — — — 28	\$ — — 86 	\$ — — 914 	\$ — — — 181	\$ — — — —	\$ — — — — 80,159	\$ — — — — 1,650	\$ 136,618 22,691 6,340 2,638 117,329
Disbursements Operating	132,194	<u>15,000</u>	22,693	<u>791</u>		312	<u>15,618</u>	<u>28</u>	1,244	<u>15,746</u>	<u>181</u>	_=	<u>80,159</u>	<u>1,650</u>	<u>285,616</u>
Community and Economic Development Capital Projects Debt Service Nonprogram Total Disbursements	9,054 9,054		4,852 — — — — 4,852			16,500 ———————————————————————————————————	2,385 — — — 2,385			2,817 — — — — — 2,817	142,330 — — — — 142,330		72,840 — — — — 72,840		7,669 217,555 16,500 9,054 250,778
Receipts Over Disbursements	123,140	15,000	17,841	<u>791</u>		<u>(16,188</u>)	13,233	28	1,244	12,929	<u>(142,149</u>)	_=	7,319	<u>1,650</u>	34,838
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Operating transfers in Operating transfers out Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	14,904 (132,015) (117,111)	(15,003)	(16,500)	_ <u>=</u>		16,500 ———————————————————————————————————					141,327 — 141,327	76 			172,807 (163,518) 9,289
Increase (Decrease) in Cash Balances Cash Balances - Beginning of Year	6,029 26,103	(3) 165	1,341 2,889	791 ——	<u></u> 	312 94	13,233 3,445	28 2,550	1,244 7,100	12,929	(822) 	76 (76)	7,319 6,717	1,650 50,713	44,127 276,703
Cash Balances - End of Year	<u>\$ 32,132</u>	<u>\$ 162</u>	<u>\$ 4,230</u>	<u>\$ 791</u>	<u>\$ 26,085</u>	<u>\$ 406</u>	<u>\$ 16,678</u>	<u>\$ 2,578</u>	<u>\$ 8,344</u>	<u>\$ 90,534</u>	<u>\$ 72,491</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 14,036</u>	<u>\$ 52,363</u>	<u>\$ 320,830</u>
Cash Basis Fund Balances Unreserved Special revenue funds Capital projects funds Permanent fund			\$ 4,230 ————————————————————————————————————		\$ 26,085 ————————————————————————————————————	·	\$ 16,678 ————————————————————————————————————	\$ 2,578 ————————————————————————————————————	\$ 8,344 ———————————————————————————————————		\$ — 72,491 ———	\$ — — —	\$ — 14,036 ———	\$ — 	\$ 181,940 86,527 52,363
Total Cash Basis Fund Balances	<u>\$ 32,132</u>	<u>\$ 162</u>	<u>\$ 4,230</u>	<u>\$ 791</u>	<u>\$ 26,085</u>	<u>\$ 406</u>	<u>\$ 16,678</u>	<u>\$ 2,578</u>	<u>\$ 8,344</u>	<u>\$ 90,534</u>	<u>\$ 72,491</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 14,036</u>	<u>\$ 52,363</u>	<u>\$ 320,830</u>

Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances - Nonmajor Proprietary Funds

	Consumer Deposits	Landfill	Total
Operating Receipts			
Use of money and property	\$ —	\$ 332	\$ 332
Charges for service	_	51,021	51,021
Miscellaneous	635	97	732
Total Operating Receipts	<u>635</u>	<u>51,450</u>	<u>52,085</u>
Operating Disbursements			
Business-type activities	<u>67</u>	64,000	64,067
Increase (Decrease) in Cash Balances	568	(12,550)	(11,982)
Cash Balances - Beginning of Year	22,681	35,858	58,539
Cash Balances - End of Year	<u>\$ 23,249</u>	<u>\$ 23,308</u>	<u>\$ 46,557</u>
Cash Basis Fund Balances			
Unreserved	<u>\$ 23,249</u>	\$ 23,308	\$ 46,557

Schedule of Indebtedness

Issued	Date of Issue	Interest Rates
650,000	7-1-92	6.00%
300,000	9-1-94	5.40
,300,000	12-1-95	4.70 - 5.50
200,000	9-1-99	4.50
400,000	4-15-02	4.50
,800,000	3-20-03	1.35 - 4.55
400 000	2-18-08	5.00%
,	650,000 300,000 300,000 200,000 400,000	650,000 7-1-92 300,000 9-1-94 300,000 12-1-95 200,000 9-1-99 400,000 4-15-02 800,000 3-20-03

Interest Due and Unpaid	Interest Paid	Balance End of Year	Redeemed During Year	Issued During Year	Balance Beginning of Year
\$ — — — —	\$ 5,100 3,240 53,018 4,950 18,000 74,413	\$ — 970,000 80,000 360,000 	\$ 85,000 60,000 115,000 30,000 40,000	\$ — — — — —	\$ 85,000 60,000 1,085,000 110,000 400,000 1,800,000
<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 158,721</u>	<u>\$ 3,210,000</u>	<u>\$ 330,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 3,540,000</u>
<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 16,500</u>	<u>\$ 347,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 347,000</u>

Schedule of Bond and Note Maturities

At June 30, 2004

General Obligation Bonds

	Sewer Treatment Plant City Hall									
Year		12-1-95	Issued 9-1-99							
		12-1-95		9-1-99						
Ending	Interest	_	Interest	_						
June 30,	Rates	Amount	Rates	Amount						
2005	4.80%	\$ 120,000	4.50%	\$ 40,000						
2006	4.90	125,000	4.50	40,000						
2007	5.05	130,000		_						
2008	5.20	140,000	_							
2009	5.30	145,000	_							
2010	5.40	150,000	_							
2011	5.50	160,000	_							
2012	_	_	_	_						
2013	_	_	_	_						
2014	_	_	_	_						
2015	_	_	_	_						
2016	_	_	_	_						
2017	_	_	_	_						
2018	_	_	_	_						
2019	_		_							
Totals		<u>\$ 970,000</u>		\$ 80,000						

Urban Renewal Tax Increment Financing (T.I.F.) Revenue Bond

General Obligation Bonds							Rever	Revenue Bond			
Fire S	Stati	<u>ion</u>	Street	mp	rovement	<u>Dumon</u>	d E	states			
Issued	4-1	5-02	Issu	Issued 3-20-03				Issue	d 2-	18-98	
Interest			Interest		_			Interest			
Rates		Amount	Rates		Amount		Total	Rates		Amount	
4.50%	\$	45,000	1.35%	\$	80,000	\$	285,000	5.00%	\$	137,000	
4.50		45,000	1.65		90,000		300,000	5.00		50,000	
4.50		50,000	2.05		100,000		280,000	5.00		50,000	
4.50		50,000	2.45		110,000		300,000	5.00		50,000	
4.50		55,000	2.85		110,000		310,000	5.00		60,000	
4.50		55,000	3.05		115,000		320,000	_		_	
4.50		60,000	3.35		120,000		340,000	_		_	
_			3.55		125,000		125,000	_		_	
_			3.75		130,000		130,000	_		_	
_			3.95		130,000		130,000	_		_	
_			4.05		130,000		130,000	_		_	
_			4.15		130,000		130,000	_		_	
			4.30		140,000		140,000	_		_	
_			4.45		140,000		140,000	_		_	
		<u> </u>	4.55	_	150,000		150,000	_		<u> </u>	
	\$	360,000		\$	1,800,000	\$	3,210,000		\$	347,000	

Schedule of Receipts by Source and Disbursements by Function All Governmental Funds

Years Ended June 30, 2001 Through 2004

	2004		2003		2002		2001
Receipts							
Property taxes	\$ 803,321	\$	796,224	\$	855,132	\$	825,994
Tax increment financing	22,691		15,546		15,016		7,097
Other city taxes	219,182		205,314		151,030		71,303
Licenses and permits	4,898		4,528		5,997		6,764
Use of money and property	27,916		20,212		26,920		34,885
Intergovernmental	253,600		306,244		313,782		318,428
Charges for service	34,395		35,427		33,612		30,142
Special assessments	1,992		465		965		3,255
Miscellaneous	 200,382		818,850		174,742		103,898
Total Receipts	\$ <u>1,568,377</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>2,202,810</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>1,577,196</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>1,401,766</u>
Disbursements							
Public safety	\$ 327,588	\$	354,663	\$	308,419	\$	316,425
Public works	170,322		199,377		211,692		218,414
Health and social services	6,050		6,000		6,000		6,105
Culture and recreation	220,778		271,263		246,023		224,422
Community and economic							
development	25,854		12,124		35,124		16,879
General government	161,260		158,339		152,053		148,679
Debt service	488,721		469,445		544,036		493,998
Capital projects	1,086,378		161,687		205,027		47,398
Nonprogram	 9,054		7,772		3,000		
Total Disbursements	\$ 2,496,00 <u>5</u>	\$	<u>1,640,670</u>	\$	<u>1,711,374</u>	\$	1,472,320

Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance and on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council City of Belmond, Iowa

We have audited the financial statements of the City of Belmond, lowa, for the year ended June 30, 2004, and have issued our report thereon dated August 4, 2004. Our report expressed an unqualified opinion on the financial statements which were prepared in conformity with a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, Chapter 11 of the Code of Iowa and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations and contracts, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

The following comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the City's operations for the year ended June 30, 2004 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the City. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes. Prior year statutory comments have all been resolved, except comment 04-C-9 (T.I.F. Urban Renewal Notes) which is repeated below.

- **04-C-1 Official Depositories** A resolution naming official depositories has been approved by the City. The maximum deposit amounts stated in the resolution were not exceeded during the year ended June 30, 2004.
- **04-C-2 Certified Budget** Disbursements during the year ended June 30, 2004 exceeded the amounts budgeted in the Debt Service function. Chapter 384.20 of the Code of lowa states in part that public monies may not be expended or encumbered under an annual or continuing appropriation.

Auditor's Recommendation - The budget should have been amended in sufficient amounts in accordance with Chapter 384.18 of the Code of Iowa before disbursements were allowed to exceed the budget.

City's Response - The budget will be amended in the future, if applicable.

Auditor's Conclusion - Response accepted.

- **04-C-3 Questionable Disbursements** We noted no disbursements that may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion.
- **04-C-4 Travel Expense** No disbursements of City money for travel expenses of spouses of City officials or employees were noted.
- **04-C-5 Business Transactions** Business transactions between the City and City officials or employees were as follows:

Name, Title and Business Connection	Transaction Description	Amount
Harlan Tulp, Council Member, owner of H & K Plumbing & Heating	Plumbing repair	\$3,623
Earl Kalkwarf, Council Member Sid Swenson, Council Member, owner of	Tree removal	662
Sid Swenson Signs	Signs	24
Bradley Bloemke, Council Member, owner of Bloemke Pharmacy	Film processing	222

In accordance with Chapter 362.5 of the Code of Iowa, the above transactions do not appear to represent conflicts of interest since total transactions with Council Members Kalkwarf, Swenson and Bloemke were less than \$1,500 during the fiscal year. The transaction with Council Member Tulp does not represent a conflict of interest since it was competitively bid.

- **04-C-6 Bond Coverage** Surety bond coverage of City officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of coverage should be reviewed annually to ensure that the coverage is adequate for current operations.
- **04-C-7 Council Minutes** No transactions were found that we believe should have been approved in the Council minutes but were not. Although minutes of Council proceedings were published, we noted several instances where the minutes were not published within 15 days as required by Chapter 372.13(6) of the Code of Iowa. We also noted the publication of wages contained the incorrect wage amount for one employee.

Auditor's Recommendation - The City should publish minutes as required. The City should also review a proof of the annual wage publication prior to printing or review it after published and republish if errors are present.

City's Response - We will publish minutes as required and review the wage publication to correct any errors.

Auditor's Conclusion - Response accepted.

04-C-8 Revenue Notes - The City appears to be in compliance with revenue note resolutions.

04-C-9 T.I.F. Urban Renewal Notes

Prior Year Finding and Recommendation - The sinking fund is not adequately funded and the City did not pay a portion of the principal that was due on the notes. The notes are not general obligations of the City, but have the first lien on revenue from the T.I.F. Urban Renewal Project. Some of the T.I.F. revenue was not used to fund the sinking fund or pay principal due. The lender has the first right to the funds, and T.I.F. revenue should not be used for other purposes until the sinking fund is adequately funded and payments are current. The City should adequately fund the sinking fund if possible and first use the revenue from the T.I.F. Urban Renewal Project to make the necessary transfers of principal and interest into these accounts before making other disbursements.

Current Year Finding - We found that the same conditions existed.

Auditor's Recommendation - We reiterate the prior year recommendation.

City's Response - The City will use future T.I.F. revenue to pay minor maintenance costs and the remaining revenue will be used to fund the proper sinking fund accounts.

Auditor's Conclusion - Response accepted.

- **04-C-10 Deposits and Investments** We noted no instances of noncompliance with deposit and investment provisions of Chapter 12B and 12C of the Code of Iowa and the City's investment policy.
- **04-C-11 Economic Development** All disbursements for economic development appeared to meet public purpose.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the City's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. However, we noted certain matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be reportable conditions. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the City's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements.

Prior year reportable condition 04-IC-1 has not been resolved and is repeated below.

04-IC-1 Segregation of Duties

Prior Year Finding and Recommendation - One important aspect of internal control is the segregation of duties among employees to prevent an individual employee from handling duties which are incompatible. We noted that incompatible duties are being performed by the same person. We realize that with a limited number of office employees, segregation of duties is difficult. However, the City should review its control procedures to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances.

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Current Year Finding - We found that the same conditions existed.

Auditor's Recommendation - We reiterate the prior year recommendation.

City's Response - The City is aware of the lack of segregation of duties and has considered alternatives to improve this situation.

Auditor's Conclusion - Response accepted.

04-IC-2 Proper Recording of Investment Income

Finding - During our audit, we noted that investment income earned in May, 2004 on funds in a money market account were incorrectly recorded as an increase in the general ledger accounts for the checking account rather than an increase in the investment accounts. We were told that this was simply a timing issue, since in July, 2004 the funds were physically transferred between the accounts at the bank. In addition, we noted that investment income earned for the month of June, 2004 was credited to the City's accounts by the bank, but the City did not record it to the general ledger at June 30, 2004. The investment income was not recorded to the general ledger until July, 2004.

Auditor's Recommendation - The recording of investment income and transfers of cash between general ledger accounts should be supported by the physical existence of cash or actual transfers of cash between the bank accounts. In addition, investment income should be recorded to the general ledger in the same month as it is credited to the City's accounts by the bank.

City's Response - The interest amounts involved are minimal and have since been corrected. Normally, the interest is posted and the money is transferred to the proper accounts promptly.

Auditor's Conclusion - Response accepted.

A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in internal control that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, we believe that the reportable condition 04-IC-1 described above is a material weakness.

This report is intended for the information of the Mayor, City Council and management of the City of Belmond, lowa, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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August 4, 2004